

Reconfiguration

- Harrisburg School District
- February 20, 2024



Why are we realigning and what are the benefits to students and families?

- **Recreate true neighborhood schools at the elementary level**
- **Provide a more even distribution of students in elementary schools**
- **Helped with the expansion of early learning for Pre-K students**
- **Increase educational programs to meet College and Career standards**
- **Provide true educational facilities for Harrisburg students**
- **Help to improve pathways to and from school**

Brief History and Timeline

- Made the decision to move 5th grade back to elementary school in 2022
 - ESSER application to bring Steele Elementary School back online
- Pell study was completed to look at projected district enrollment
- Created a capital plan for buildings being utilized
- Viewed costs associated with current configuration
- Created three options
- Discussed all three options with staff and the community
- Created a steering committee to discuss the options and timeline
- Created a timeline for successful completion

Reconfiguration

- **Steele ES will open at 2537 N. Fifth Street in August 2024**
- **Marshall Math and Science Academy will become a 6th-8th grade center**
- **4th grade students in the Marshall attendance area will remain at their current elementary school**
- **Lincoln building will become a K-5 Elementary School**
- **Scott ES will be repurposed**
 - **Sessi program at Hamilton will temporarily move to the Scott building**
- **Cougar Academy will move to Hamilton**
- **Rowland MS will begin a three year phase out process – students will move to Camp Curtain and MMSA**

What does this mean for students and staff?

- At the elementary level, approximately 40% of students will be attending a new school next year.
 - Reduction at Melrose
- At the middle school level, students will start to attend Camp Curtin and MMSA next school year
 - Rowland will phase out as a middle school over the next three years
- The staff at Scott will be transferred to the Lincoln building
- The staff at Cougar Academy @ the Lincoln building will be transferred to the Hamilton building
- Process has been discussed with HEA as to how staff will be transferred to Steele and Camp Curtin

Planning and Preparation

- A detailed timeline has been created from board action until the September of 2024
- All elementary and middle school principals have mapped out all classrooms for next year.
- Chief of Operations is responsible for the following:
 - Transportation
 - Moving student and teacher materials
 - Boundaries
- Communication
 - Monthly - Show progress on the timeline
 - Upcoming events and meetings

Communication

- Create a reconfiguration tab on the district website
- Tab for guardians to check which school their child would attend
- Generate letters in April for parents to be notified of the school for the following year
- Schedule a meet and greet in May with potential new building principal
- School tours for students/families in August
- Staff will be moving in June
- Update the community of the progress along the way

Questions or Feedback

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